

Director, School of Rehabilitation Science

The College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan, Saskatoon

Applications are invited from qualified individuals for the Director Physical Therapy of the School of Rehabilitation Science, College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan. The School of Rehabilitation Science's mission is excellence in Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science teaching, research, scholarship, and leadership to improve the quality of life and well-being for all people of Saskatchewan and beyond. As the only Physical Therapy program in the province, the School has an active research program across a broad range of initiatives, collaborating with several local, provincial, and national research groups. The successful candidate will join our team, providing leadership to advance our strategic plan focused on establishing a hub for rehabilitation science education, research, and community engagement, strengthening Indigenous initiatives, progressing our graduate programming, and enhancing inter-professional collaborative practice and research.

The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city with a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community, and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research, and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 25,000.

The Director Physical Therapy is a full-time faculty and member of the leadership team of the School of Rehabilitation Science (SRS) and College of Medicine and provides leadership and support to students, faculty and staff with specific attention to those matters impacting on organization, delivery and accreditation of the Masters of Physical Therapy (MPT) program. The Director, acting in the capacity of department head, has general supervision over and provides mentorship for MPT faculty, leading collegial processes and assigning duties to faculty members. The Director will be informed in their responsibilities by the University, College and School Mission and Vision, Principles, Values and Strategic Plan.

The Director serves as the department head of the SRS within the College of Medicine responsible to the Dean for the satisfactory performance of the work of the department. As academic and operational leader, the Director provides leadership and support to students, faculty and staff with specific attention to those matters impacting on organization, delivery and accreditation of the Masters of Physical Therapy (MPT) program.

Major responsibilities include: Ensuring academic standards, relevancy and accreditation of MPT program are maintained; ensuring that MPT academic program attracts highly qualified applicants; promoting high quality MPT student experiences and success, attracting and supporting the success of outstanding SRS faculty and staff, facilitating approaches to support scholarship, mentorship and career development of new and junior faculty, contributing to School, college and university planning processes; oversight for financial management of the MPT program and ensuring prudent and responsible management of human and financial resources, creating and maintaining effective relationships with internal and external partners, and identifying prospective alliances to support the School and the success of the MPT program. The

successful candidate will provide vision and leadership by encouraging and promoting research in the School.

Applicants should hold a PhD (or equivalent), a professional degree in Physical Therapy, eligible for licensure in the Saskatchewan College of Physical Therapists, with success in research and teaching and a solid record of relevant professional practice experience. Leadership experience in an academic environment and involvement in university level physical therapy programming is an asset. Strong interpersonal and mentorship skills and experience working with university students and clinical communities are required. Demonstrated success in leading people to achieve exemplary performance and outcomes is desirable.

The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced. The university welcomes applications from those who will contribute to the diversity of our community. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian Citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

If you are interested in applying, please submit an updated CV and *expression of interest (EOI)* in writing, including comments on your existing role which supports your suitability for the position.

To explore this exciting opportunity further, please contact:

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